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SUBJECT: FRASER HEARING ON KCIA ACTIVITIES IN US

1. HIRC STAFF MEMBER CALLED KOREA COUNTRY DIRECTOR
MARCH 9 RE MARCH 17 FRASER SUBCOMMITTEE HEARING ON KCIA
ACTIVITIES IN U.S.

2. STAFF MEMBER INDICATED THAT PUBLISHER OF KOREAN
NEWSPAPER IN LOS ANGELES, KIM WOON-HA, WILL BE ONE OF
WITNESSES TESTIFYING AT THAT HEARING.

3. STAFF MEMBER INDICATED THAT KIM, WHO IS A PERMANENT
RESIDENT, DOES HAVE CONCERN THAT HIS TESTIMONY MIGHT
AFFECT HIS THREE CHILDREN STILL IN KOREA (MRS. KIM IS
IN U.S.). STAFF MEMBER ASKED WHETHER EMBASSY COULD
ASCERTAIN STATUS OF CHILDREN AND REPORT IF ROKG TAKES
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ANY ACTION AGAINST THEM BECAUSE OF KIM'S TESTIMONY.

STAFF MEMBER WAS UNCERTAIN AS TO WHETHER KIM HAD ALREADY
FILED PETITION TO BRING CHILDREN TO U.S.

4. KOREA COUNTRY DIRECTOR EXPLAINED THAT IT WOULD NOT
BE POSSIBLE FOR EMBASSY TO UNDERTAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR
KOREAN CITIZENS IN THEIR OWN COUNTRY. NEITHER COULD WE
ASSURE THAT THERE WOULD BE NO ROKG REACTION AS A RESULT

OF KIM'S TESTIMONY. HE INDICATED THAT KIM SHOULD BE
AWARE OF THIS.

5. AT SAME TIME COUNTRY DIRECTOR INDICATED THAT HE
WOULD CONVEY TO EMBASSY INFORMATION WITH REGARD TO
MR. KIM'S CHILDREN FOR ANY ACTION EMBASSY MIGHT BELIEVE
APPROPRIATE IN CIRCUMSTANCES.

6. COMMITTEE STAFF MEMBER PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFORMATION
RE KIM'S CHILDREN:

(A) ADDRESS: 13-60 CHANG CHONG DONG, SEODAEMOON KU,
SEOUL

(B) NAMES:
JUNG WON KIM (DAUGHTER)
HAM SUCK KIM (SON)
MIN SUCK KIM (SON)

7. COMMITTEE STAFF HAS INDICATED INFORMALLY THAT OTHER
WITNESSES APPEARING AT MARCH 17 HEARING WILL BE GREGORY
HENDERSON AND AN UNNAMED FORMER KCIA AGENT NOW RESIDENT
IN THE US. IT ALSO POSSIBLE THAT LOS ANGELES DONGA ILBO
REPRESENTATIVE MAY TESTIFY. COMMITTEE STAFF HAS RE-
QUESTED THAT WE NOT REPEAT NOT DISCUSS WITH ROKG THE
NAMES OF WITNESSES BEFORE COMMITTEE RELEASES NAMES.
WE HAVE AGREED.

8. NO EXECUTIVE BRANCH WITNESSES WILL BE CALLED IN
MARCH 17 HEARING. HOWEVER, AT THIS POINT CONGRESSMAN
FRASER DOES PLAN TO HAVE FURTHER HEARINGS AT WHICH
EXECUTIVE BRANCH WITNESSES MAY BE CALLED.
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